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Mr. Austin R. Evers
American Oversight
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RE: Response to Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2019-004786

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated, April 4, 2019, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Freedom of Information Office. Your request seeking "Any records regarding delays, cancellations, or reductions in EPA-led environmental and pollution inspections that occurred during the partial government shutdown from December 22, 2018, until January 25, 2019" was referred to the Office of Compliance, Monitoring, Assistance, and Media Programs Division (MAMPD).

MAMPD conducted a records search and has not located any documents responsive to your request. After a discussion on April 22, 2019 with Hart Wood from your organization, notifying him that we found no responsive documents after reaching out to EPA regional or headquarter offices, we conducted an electronic search of EPA's email system. We used the search terms "delay*," "cancel*," "reduc*," and "inspect*." The electronic search also produced no responsive documents.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460 or through FOIAonline if you are an account holder. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS).

You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martha Segall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Martha" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Segall".

Martha Segall, Acting Director
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